

REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on February 28, 2007. In the Office Action, claims 1-21 and 28-33 were pending. Claims 1-21 were allowed and claims 28-31 were rejected. Claims 32 and 33 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

More specifically, claims 28, 30 and 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Berger et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,707,646). Furthermore, claim 29 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Berger et al. and further in view of Tam et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,421,943). With this Amendment, features of previous claim 33 have been incorporated into independent claim 28. As indicated in the Office Action, this claim is believed to be allowable. Claim 33 has thus been cancelled.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request allowance of the pending application.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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